THE HIGH COURT REGULATION AMENDMENT BILL.

MR. V. SUBBA AIYAR (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Sir, I beg to move that the High Court Regulation Amendment Bill be finally read and passed and that it come into force from the 1st of Chingam, 1100.

RAO BAHADUR K. A. KRISHNA AIYANGAR (*Nominated*) (*Deputy President*): I second it.

The Bill was finally passed and the suggestion that it shall come into force from the 1st Chingam, 1100, approved.

THE REVENUE RECOVERY REGULATION AMENDMENT BILL.

MR. V. SUBBA AIYAR (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Sir, I beg to move that the Revenue Recovery Regulation Amendment Bill be finally read and passed by the Council.

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): I second it.

The Bill was finally passed.

THE TRAVANCORE MINES AND MINERALS BILL.

MR. V. SUBBA AIYAR (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Sir, I beg to introduce the Travancore Mines and Minerals Bill and beg to move that the same be read in Council.

RAO BAHADUR K. A. KRISHNA AIYANGAR (*Nominated*) (*Deputy President*): I second it.

MR. V. SUBBA AIYAR (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): The Bill is a simple one. Although we have got mines in Travancore, there are no provisions so far to regulate labour and to safeguard the interests, health and safety of the labour employed in these mines.

MR. M. R. MADHAVA VARIAR (*Chengannur* cum *Pattanamtitta*): May I know how many mines there are in Travancore?

MR. V. SUBBA AIYAR (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): I understand that there are seven mines; but some of them are not working though they may be worked again. It is also necessary that there should be provision to enable the Government or its servants to prospect for minerals on private grounds. As it is, it is only with the consent of a private person that entry may be made in a private compound. No prospecting for minerals could be done at present on private lands. It has lead to considerable difficulties and it has not always been found possible to get the owner's permission to enter into his land for the purpose of prospecting for minerals. According to the Bill, any Government officer may enter upon any land for prospecting for minerals. Provision for the payment of sufficient compensation for any damage done to the land has also been made. In cases of difficulty, reference may be made to a Board which is to decide the amount of compensation finally. And thus provisions may be made so as to regulate

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